



**Welcome to all the CBC Fellowship.**

**Here is the CBC Newsletter/diary for May 2026.** If you have any comments or contributions, feel free to contact me,

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### ***Christ is risen, He is risen indeed***

Greetings to you all. 'May the gifts and benefits that come from God our Father, and the Master, Jesus Christ, be yours.' I Cor.1:3

No doubt you have been keeping tabs on what is happening on the church building site (see the latest news on the church website) and are encouraged with the progress being made. My father was site foreman for a commercial building company. Back in the day when Health and Safety did not loom large, I would often go with him on site (not in normal working hours) and see how things were progressing – perhaps I might have taken on his role in these enlightened days of woman being admitted to such jobs. Dad told us of some of his 'finds' during building work and in particular in London, a burial site dating back many centuries and maybe the great plague of London – history being revealed and made real. On the church site, vaults and graves have been found which will be documented by the archaeologist before being covered in readiness for foundations to the new building.

Foundations are of course, the most important part of any building so we trust the new church building will have a strong and durable foundation, providing a place of worship for generations to come.

We read in the Bible of many analogies to the Christian life being built on the foundations of faith in Christ. Jesus told the parable of the wise and foolish builder – rock or sand. Paul refers to Christ being our cornerstone in his letter to the Ephesians: 'God is building a home. He's using us all – irrespective of how we got here – in what he is building. He used the apostles and prophets for the foundation. Now he's using **you**, fitting you in brick by brick, stone by stone, with Christ Jesus as the cornerstone that holds all the parts together. We see it taking shape day after day – a holy temple built by God, **all of us** built into it, a temple in which God is at home.' Eph.2:19-22. May Christ indeed be the strong and sure foundation of the future church building and us all as we journey on with him.

Monday Living Room – We have been delighted to welcome some new people along to the Living Room on Mondays and are always happy to have new folk come. We are open from 10.30am – 2.00pm with craft/board games/friendship/food. If you or anyone you know might like to join us, feel free to try us out – at the Scout Hall every week apart from Bank Holidays.

Bible Course – Wednesday evenings at the Scout Hall. Going well with good numbers attending. Pray for direction and guidance from God as this continues into June.

Toddler Groups – Unfortunately, the Thursday Toddler Group has ceased to function due to reduced numbers attending. However, we are very pleased that most of those families normally attending on Thursdays can make the Friday session, 9.15am – 11.15am.

Encounter – Every fourth Sunday evening at 6.00pm. A time to worship and listening to God. Everyone is welcome and we would love to see our fellow Christians from other Calne churches joining us for this special time.

Wedding of Barry and Linda – Praise God for this happy occasion to take place this Saturday (2<sup>nd</sup> May) at the Free Church with Wayne officiating. God bless you both as you continue your lives together with Christ at the centre.

Methodist Church – Celebrating their 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary with a special service of thanksgiving on 24<sup>th</sup> May at 10.30am. Also, Craig Manley is retiring from his Ministry in the Methodist church soon and there will be a farewell service for him and his wife at the Silver Street church on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> July Tea@5pm Service@6pm. All are welcome.

Eden Bridge Festival – The second year of this Christian festival held at Bremhill on 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> August. Go to [www.edenbridge.love](http://www.edenbridge.love) for more information and/or book free tickets.

We thank our loving and generous God that he is regularly adding to our number as the weeks go by – sometimes, there is standing room only at the Scout Hall. You will know that the Scout car park is relatively small and we would gently ask those **who are able** to park in the town and walk up to the hall, enabling those with limited mobility to use the Scout Hall car park. Thank you for your understanding.

### Regular activities

**Living Room** - **Mondays 10.30am – 2.00pm. Scout Hall (not Bank Holidays)**

**Toddler Group** - **Fridays 9.15am – 11.15am Scout Hall (term time)**

**Boys Brigade & Girls Association**

- **Thursdays 5.30pm to 8.00pm (at the Free Church, term time)**

**Evening Prayer** - **1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month at 6.00pm Scout Hall**

**Traditional Service** - **Sun 3<sup>rd</sup> May at Bremhill View Football Club Hall, 10.00am**

**Big Family Church** - **Sun 3<sup>rd</sup> May at Bremhill View Football Club Hall, 11.00 am**

**Encounter** - **Fourth Sunday evening of the month, 6.00pm. Scout Hall**

**Home Groups** - **Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays.**

**Bible Course** - **Wednesdays from 15<sup>th</sup> April, 7.15pm at the Scout Hall**

**Continue to pray as we move forward under the banner of Christ**

***“To you alone, O Lord, to you alone and not to us, must glory be given because of your constant love and faithfulness”. Psalm 115:1***